

Tom - This is the plant's new
stormwater permit. Read through it carefully.
You must send back the blue sheet before
Nov. 30, 2002. Please note that the plant is
now required to take quarterly samples of stormwater
for analysis and reporting. I will be up sometime
in the next couple of weeks to go through this
with you. Any questions call.

Dave

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October 3, 2002

RESPONSE DUE BY NOVEMBER 30, 2002

LONGVIEW FIBRE COMPANY
PO BOX 639
LONGVIEW WA 98632-7411

Permit Number: **SO3000206**
Site Name: **LONGVIEW FIBRE SEATTLE**
Location: **5901 E MARGINAL WAY S
SEATTLE**

Dear Industrial Stormwater Permittee:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has revised the industrial stormwater general permit. A copy of the revised permit is included with this letter. This revised permit replaces your current permit. There are some changes that are important and new requirements that you must comply with. This letter will address the most significant changes; however, please take the time to review the new permit. After reviewing the permit you should keep the permit and this letter with your stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP).

Also, enclosed is a form entitled "Receiving Water Information and Declaration of Mixing Zone Form." Please identify where your stormwater goes by following the directions provided with the form. The directions will help you complete the form correctly and tell you how you may obtain additional help if needed. The directions will also explain what a mixing zone is and why this may be important to you. **Please complete the form and return it to Ecology as soon as you can but no later than November 30, 2002.**

The permit requires sampling and analysis of stormwater from your facility. Sampling stormwater is an important tool to measure the effectiveness of your stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP). The permit allows you approximately six months (until April 2003) to prepare for sampling your stormwater. To assist you, Ecology is producing a sampling guidance document and it will be distributed before sampling begins. You will need to prepare a monitoring plan by March 1, 2003. The first sampling report, called a Discharge monitoring report (DMR), will need to be filed by August 14, 2003. Ecology will mail you additional information and announce stormwater sampling workshop dates around November, 2002. These workshops will be designed to answer questions regarding the sampling requirements, your monitoring plan, and offer as much assistance as possible.

Now is a good time to review your stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP). The SWPPP explains how you manage the stormwater at your facility and the revised permit continues to emphasize the importance of the SWPPP requirement. Failure to keep your SWPPP up-to-date is a permit violation. Your updated permit requires you to evaluate and update the SWPPP as



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necessary to show any changes in operational or source control best management practices (BMPs). Best management practices must be in place on your site to protect stormwater from contamination and as necessary to treat the stormwater before it discharges to waters of the state. This revised permit requires four (4) visual inspections of stormwater during wet weather and one during the dry season. Documentation of these inspections must be included with your stormwater pollution prevention plan.

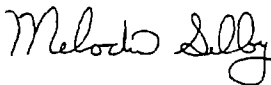
On September 20, 2002, the Industrial Stormwater General Permit was appealed by Snohomish County, a coalition of environmental groups, and the Boeing Company. Copies of the appeals that were filed are available from Ecology's WEB site at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/>. No other information regarding the outcome of the appeals is known at this time. Ecology will post any new information regarding the appeal as it becomes available.

Please note that Ecology modified the final permit to correct a typographical error. In the permit Special condition S7.B refers to "Special Condition S3.G" which does not exist. The correct reference should have been "Special Condition S3.E". This modification of coverage was filed in the State Register, and the enclosed permit has been corrected.

Your permit number has not changed. Please note this permit number indicated above. Please use this number on any future correspondence with Ecology, including change of information for your facility. If your facility is sold or ceases to operate, you must submit a Notice of Termination (NOT) to Ecology. Unless Ecology receives a termination notice, the permit remains active and the Permittee on record is responsible for permit compliance and permit fees.

Ecology is expecting many calls about the new permit and the sampling requirement, and we are committed to providing all the assistance we can. Please read the material we have included with this letter and if you have internet access, please review the information provided on Ecology's web page as indicated above. If you still have questions, please call Joyce Smith at (360) 407-6858 for additional assistance.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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